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BANGKOK FOR RED AND USOM

1. GKR EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON HAS PASSED ON TO US

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SOME ADDITIONAL DETAILS (RECEIVED FROM KHMER CULTURAL

ATTACHE IN BERN) ON KHMER STUDENTS IN EAST EUROPE. ACCORDING TO THIS DATA, NUMBER OF KHMER STUDENTS IN EAST GERMANY WHO WISH TO LEAVE IS FIFTY, OF-WHOM SEVENTEEN HAVE BEEN PROMISED SCHOLARSHIPS FROM WEST GERMANY, SWITZERLAND, AND AUSTRIA. STUDENTS STILL NEEDING FINANCIAL AID TOTAL THIRTY-THREE IN EAST GERMANY, PLUS FOUR IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

2. OF THIRTY-THREE STUDENTS IN EAST GERMANY, SEVENTEEN ARE IN FINE ARTS, A FIELD WHERE AID CANNOT ASSIST. GKR EMBASSY HERE SAYS IT WILL INFORM ITS FOREIGN MINISTRY AND SUGGEST THAT GKR PURSUE OTHER SCHOLARSHIP POSSIBILITIES FOR THESE, INCLUDING ISRAEL (WHICH MAY PRESENT POLITICAL PROBLEM).

3. OF REMAINING SIXTEEN STUDENTS IN EAST GERMANY, FOUR ARE IN DOCTORAL PROGRAMS (IN PAPER-MAKING, INDUSTRIAL PLANNING, ENGINEERING IN CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS, AND ENGINEERING IN FOOD INDUSTRIES), TWO HAVE BACHELOR'S DEGREES AND ARE GETTING "PRACTICAL" EXPERIENCE AND ON-THE-JOB TRAINING IN CERAMICS AND ARCHITECTURE, WHILE BALANCE ARE GENERALLY IN THEIR THIRD YEAR OF UNDERGRADUATE WORK IN TECHNICAL FIELDS MENTIONED PARA 3, REF C. FOUR STUDENTS IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA ARE APPARENTLY UNDERGRADUATES.

4. FOR BONN: RE REF D (WHICH BEING RETRANSMITTED TO PHNOM PENH AND BANGKOK), DO YOU KNOW WHETHER BENECHÉ FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS ARE SOME TEN MENTIONED IN REF C, PARA 2 OR ADDITIONAL. ADVISE, INFO PHNOM PENH AND BANGKOK.

5. FOR BANGKOK RED AND USOM: SUGGEST RED REP IN COOPERATION USOM TRAINING OFFICER ROBERTS EXPLORE POSSIBILITIES AND ADVISE ROUGH COST ESTIMATES PROVIDE INTENSIVE LANGUAGE TRAINING IN BANGKOK FOR UP TO SIXTEEN KHMERS, ASSUMING MINIMAL ENGLISH, WITH GOAL OF ALLOWING THEM TO PROCEED TO FURTHER ACADEMIC TRAINING IN ENGLISH-SPEAKING UNIVERSITIES IN U.S. OR THIRD COUNTRY. ANTICIPATE COSTS TO BE COVERED BY CAMBODIA AID PROGRAM FY 1975 FUNDS. WE HAVE CONTACTED JULIA BURKS, USIA ENGLISH TEACHING STAFF, WHO ADVISES AUA BINATIONAL CENTER
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BANGKOK QUALIFIED AND INTERESTED PROVIDE ENGLISH TRAINING FOR KHMER STUDENTS SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES. AUA CENTER DIRECTOR JACK JERGENS RETURNING BANGKOK FROM WASHINGTON ALSO ALERTED BY BURKS. WE UNDERSTAND BRITISH COUNCIL ALSO PROVIDES ENGLISH TRAINING BANGKOK. ALSO REQUEST ASSISTANCE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM HERB ROBERTS RE SUBSEQUENT STUDY PROGRAMS AS FURTHER RECORDS AND INTERESTS OF STUDENTS BECOME KNOWN. MAY NOT BE POSSIBLE OBTAIN FULL ACADEMIC

RECORDS PRIOR DEPARTURE EAST GERMANY BUT SUGGEST PRELIM CONTACT WITH HOELSCHER OF AIT AT THIS TIME RE STUDENTS WHO MAY BE ELIGIBLE AIT. WE POUCHING LIST STUDENT NAMES AND SUBJECTS STUDY TO RABIN/HALLIGAN AND WILL FORWARD FURTHER INFO AS AVAILABLE HERE. SUPPORT OFFICE, BANGKOK PERSONNEL MAY BE ABLE TO ASSIST IN THESE ACTIVITIES.

6. IN VIEW POSSIBLE POLITICAL SENSITIVITY OF TRAINING THESE KHMERS IN THAILAND, EMBASSY MAY WISH TO INFORM OR CONSULT WITH APPROPRIATE THAI GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS ON THIS MATTER. EMBASSY MIGHT ALSO WISH TO SUGGEST TO APPROPRIATE GKR EMBASSY OFFICIALS BANGKOK THAT THEY ALSO APPROACH THAI. PLEASE PROVIDE ASSESSMENT OF ANY THAI POLITICAL IMPLICATIONS AND REPORT ON ANY APPROACH TO RTG.

7. FOR PHNOM PENH: WE BELIEVE TRAINING THESE STUDENTS AS SUGGESTED ABOVE WOULD SERVE USEFUL PURPOSE AND ASSUME YOU WILL CONCUR IN USE OF FY 1975 AID PROGRAM FUNDS FOR THIS PURPOSE. YOU WILL OF COURSE HAVE FINAL APPROVAL ON COST PROPOSALS SUBMITTED BY BANGKOK. SISCO

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